

Welcome to H2H Kids

A few introductory tips about Bible Study with Kids:

- *Remember how important it is to build relationships with the kids you are serving!*
- Bible Reading:
 - Please do not *make* kids read aloud if they don't want to
 - If you do have children read the Bible passages aloud, make sure everyone can hear and/or follow along. The Word should be clearly spoken.
 - A helpful tip: An adult can read but have kids following along in their own Bibles (if age appropriate) and you can stop on occasion and have kids say the word you paused at. This helps them stay engaged...and also allows the Word to be read with clarity and volume.
- Try to bring some type of visual to help illustrate the lesson. It goes a long way to capture kids' attention. It can be simple, while still giving them something to focus on and bringing abstract concepts to a concrete level.
- Try to get to these three levels: Observation, Interpretation, Application (as is age appropriate).
 - Observation: facts, clear understanding of what the passage is about
 - Interpretation: What does it mean? There is only one interpretation. What is the author and God saying? If it's abstract or maybe figurative, try to help kids discern the most simple and clear interpretation. If you are not certain, don't be afraid to say that!
 - Application: There will be many ways to apply scripture! Help the kids make it personal! What can we learn from this for our lives today?! How does this impact my life, my relationship with God, my understanding and knowledge of God?
- Less is More: *Please never feel like you must cover everything in the lesson.* Doing a good job on one concept is better than racing to "cover" everything. Feel free to simplify the lesson depending on the ages of the children in your group.
- During prayer time, do not make children pray aloud if they do not want to.
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Lesson 1 ~ Genesis 1:1-2:25

PREP Ahead:

- Print Coloring Page & Activity Page (1 copy per student)
- Object lesson: picture of a colorful painting
- Icebreaker: paper and pencil
- Game: Large box or plastic bin, nerf soccer ball or playground ball
- Craft: paper, glue, scissors, magazines

ICEBREAKER (5 min): 10 Word Bio's

Have children introduce themselves and come up with a biography of their life using only 10 words. Once finished, have them share with the group. Materials needed: paper and pencil

BIBLE DISCUSSION (10-15 min): Genesis 1:1-2:25

- **Introduction:** Begin the discussion by talking about how Genesis is a book of beginnings. It teaches how the heavens and earth began and how life and man were created. Human institutions and relationships are formed. Sin is introduced in the world, and the consequences of sin. And we also see the beginnings of God's plan to bless the nations through His chosen people and through His Son, Jesus.
- ***Read Genesis 1:1***
 - Who created the heavens and the earth? (God!)
 - This is so important because sometimes people believe that the earth was created randomly millions and billions of years ago. You might even be taught that in school. But the Bible very clearly states that God created the heavens and the earth. God created everything!
- ***Read Genesis 1:2-2:4***

Object Lesson:

- Share a colorful painting (something found online or a painting in your home)
- *Say: If you were to take several different colors of paint and just throw them all onto a canvas with no order or design, there is no way that it would make a very pretty picture. In the same way, the beautiful mountains, the oceans, the forests, and all of the creatures that live in this world could not have just happened. There has to be design. Look at this painting. If you were to set several paints next to a canvas, the paint will not jump up onto the canvas. It takes a painter or designer to create a beautiful picture. So it takes a designer, the Almighty God, to create this world and everything in it. God created everything!*

- How many days did it take God to create the world? (6, he rested on the 7th day)
- Share something you love that God created.
- What do you love about yourself that he created?
- How can we show others that God did create us and the world?

PRAYER (5 min): Share prayer requests and pray for one another.

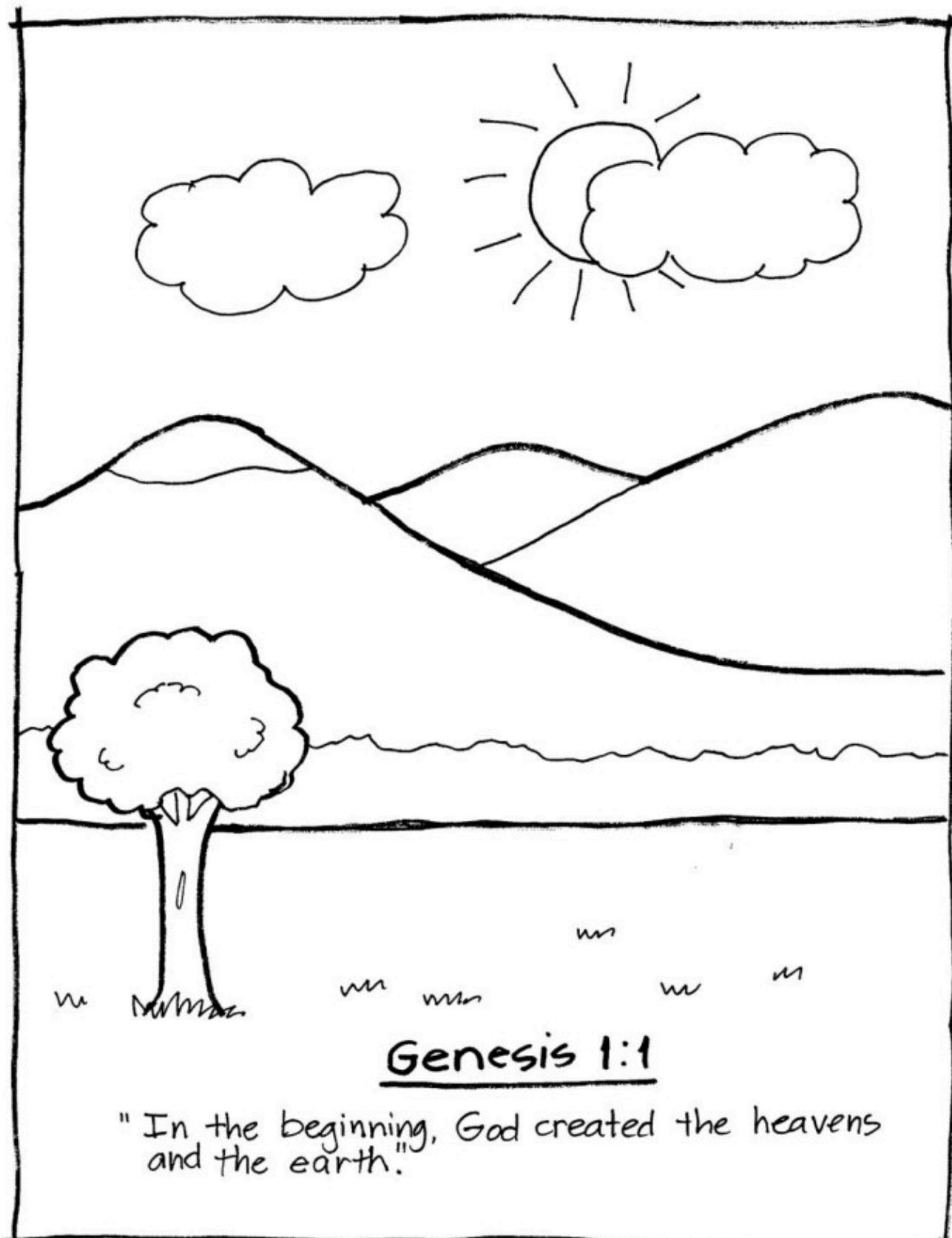
GAME (5-10 min): Box

Materials needed: Large box or plastic bin, nerf soccer ball or playground ball.

How to play: The large box or plastic bin is the “goal.” One player is the “goalie.” Everyone plays against the goalie. When someone scores by hitting the side or top of the box, that player becomes the new goalie.

CRAFT: Creation Collage

Have the children cut pictures from magazines and catalogs that represent the things God created. Have them arrange and glue these pictures to pieces of construction paper.



Genesis 1:1

"In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth."

Name: _____

Genesis: The Creation

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bears	bird	cows	day	earth	fish
five	flower	four	God	heaven	land
lions	man	moon	night	oceans	One
rest	sea	seven	sheep	six	stars
sun	three	tigers	two	universe	water